

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

EFS & T Dept., - Diversion of 10.74 ha of forest land in Badvel Range, YSR Division, YSR District for widening and improvement of the existing two lanes carriageway to 4 lanes of Mydukur-Badvel Section of NH-67 from Design km 585.820 (existing km 585.930) to Design km 630.960 (existing km 628.55) of NH-67 (Design length 45.14 km) on Hybrid annuity mode under Bharatmala in the in State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Dy. General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa - Permission accorded – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 70

Dated:11-11-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15034/5/2024-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, dated 30.05.2024. .
2. Govt.Letter No.1097/Sec.II/2024/2483013, dated 12.08.2024
3. From GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Online Proposal No.FP/AP/ROAD/459117/2024 dated 11.12.2024.
4. From the PCCF & HoFF, Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15034/5/2024/ FCA-1, dated 15.10.2025.
5. Govt. Letter No.1097/Sec.II/2024/2483013, dated 28.10.2025.
6. From the GoI, MoEF&CC, Online Proposal No.FP/AP/ROAD/459117/2024, dated 03.11.2025.

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ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, has submitted a statutory proforma proposal seeking approval of the Central Government under Section-2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for diversion of 10.74 ha of forest land in Badvel Range, YSR Division, YSR District for widening and improvement of the existing two lanes carriageway to 4 lanes of Mydukur-Badvel Section of NH-67 from Design km 585.820 (existing km 585.930) to Design km 630.960 (existing km 628.55) of NH-67 Design length 45.14 km on Hybrid annuity mode under Bharatmala in the State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Dy.General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, A.P., was sent to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-office at Vijayawada of the Regional Office, for in-principle approval under Section-2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

3. In the letter 3rd read above, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-office at Vijayawada of the Regional Office, has accorded in-principle approval under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for diversion of 10.74 ha of forest land in Badvel Range, YSR Division, YSR District for widening and improvement of the existing two lanes carriageway to 4 lanes of Mydukur-Badvel Section of NH-67 from Design km 585.820 (existing km 585.930) to Design km 630.960 (existing km 628.55) of NH-67 Design length 45.14 km on hybrid annuity mode under Bharatmala in the State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Dy.General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa, and has requested to submit the compliance report on the conditions stipulated therein within the prescribed time for final approval.

4. In the letter 4th read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P., has furnished a compliance report on the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval for onward submission to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-office at Vijayawada of the Regional Office, for final approval for the above proposal. The same has been forwarded to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Sub-office at Vijayawada of the Regional Office, for the grant of final approval under Section 2(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, vide letter in the 5th read above.

5. In the letter 6th read above, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub-office at Vijayawada of the Regional Office, has granted final approval under Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for diversion of 10.74 ha of forest land in Badvel Range, YSR Division, YSR District for widening and improvement of the existing two lanes carriageway to 4 lanes of Mydukur-Badvel Section of NH-67 from Design km 585.820 (existing km 585.930) to Design km 630.960 (existing km 628.55) of NH-67 Design length 45.14 km on hybrid annuity mode under Bharatmala in the State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Dy.General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa subject to fulfilment of conditions stipulated therein.

6. Government, after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for diversion of 10.74 ha of forest land in Badvel Range, YSR Division, YSR District for widening and improvement of the existing two lanes carriageway to 4 lanes of Mydukur-Badvel Section of NH-67 from Design km 585.820 (existing km 585.930) to Design km 630.960 (existing km 628.55) of NH-67 Design length 45.14 km on hybrid annuity mode under Bharatmala in the State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Dy.General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

1. General Conditions:

S.No.	Conditions
1.1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged
1.2	At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India
1.3	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land
1.4	The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas
1.5	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government
1.6	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government
1.7	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused
1.8	Any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department

1.9	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
1.10	No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
1.11	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
1.12	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 10.74 ha.
1.13	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
1.14	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Regional Office by the end of March every year.
1.15	The user agency shall comply with all the provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
1.16	The State Government shall ensure settlement of rights under the scheduled tribes and other Traditional forest dwellers (Recognition of forest rights) Acts 2006, before issue of working permission and diversion as case may be.
1.17	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
1.18	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.
1.19	Violation of any of these conditions will amounts to violation Van (Sanrakshan Evan Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

2. Standard conditions

S.No.	Conditions
2.1	Overburden shall not be dumped outside the width of the road. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
2.2	The user agency will provide retaining walls, breast walls and drainage as per requirement to make the slope stable.
2.3	The designing of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals
2.4	The User agency will undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures at the project cost in consultation with the State Forest Department.

3. Specific Conditions

S.No.	Conditions
3.1	The State Government shall carryout compensatory afforestation in the identified non forest land as well as degraded forest land with the funds realized from the User Agency, as per the approved CA scheme.

3.2	The compensatory afforestation scheme, as approved, shall be implemented by the State Forest Department at the project cost within a period of two years from the date of grant of 'Final' approval.
3.3	The cost of implementing the wildlife mitigation plan shall be realized from the User Agency.
3.4	The State Forest Department shall take up avenue plantation of 2 rows on both sides of the road at the cost of User Agency.
3.5	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).
3.6	The KML file of the forest area to be diverted and CA area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details.
3.7	The conditions stipulated in the Wildlife Clearance from the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife(SC-NBWL) shall be followed.
3.8	The User Agency has made payment Rs.4,98,31,560/- towards CA, NPV and Avenue Plantation (Rs.3,07,06,800 /- towards CA, Rs.1,31,95,060/- towards NPV, and Rs.59,29,700/-towards Avenue Plantation). The levies paid by the UA shall be utilized for the same as per the approved plan/scheme.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

KANTILAL DANDE
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, Guntur District.

Copy to:

1.The Inspector General of Forests,
ROHQ, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110 003.

2. The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),
GoI, MoEF&CC, Sub-office at Vijayawada of
Regional Office, Chennai, Green House Complex,
Gopal Reddy Road, Vijayawada – 520 010.

3. The Dy. General Manager, NHAI, Kadapa.

4.SC/SF (Computer No. 2483013)

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER